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E-Legislative Update

March 18 – 24, 2013



March 18th marks the beginning of the tenth week of the legislative session. You can [contact your legislator](#) making your position on a bill known. You can do so by writing a letter, sending an e-mail, calling the legislator's Olympia office, or by calling the Legislative Hotline at 1-800-562-6000.

Because the state budget is an overarching issue, the Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs will provide updates on important milestones in budget development

as well as focus on bills that impact the Asian American and Pacific Islander community in the areas of education, health care, human services, economic development, and immigration. To learn more about the current budget, you can attend the House Ways & Means and Senate Finance Committee Hearings.

The Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs will be providing information weekly through our e-legislative update and website on committee hearings, bills, and other events of interest throughout the legislative session. Our e-legislative update provides a general overview highlighting a few bills of interest to the community while our website hosts a more extensive list of bills utilizing a [bill tracking](#) feature for those community members seeking more information. Highlights from the previous week can be viewed on [TVW's](#) Legislative Review.

Below are some scheduled meetings and hearings that might be of interest to you.

Education

Early Learning & K-12 Education

03/18/13 1:30 pm

Senate Full Committee

Senate Hearing Rm 1

J.A. Cherberg Building

Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [E2SHB 1526](#) - Creating a pilot project to increase enrollment of underrepresented students in the running start program.

2. [2SHB 1424](#) - Enhancing the statewide K-12 dropout prevention, intervention, and reengagement system.
3. [SHB 1144](#) - Regarding qualifications for educational interpreters.
4. [HB 1369](#) - Using school days for meeting with parents and families as part of the Washington inventory of developing skills.
5. [ESHB 1252](#) - Establishing the Washington K-12 online professional development project.

Higher Education

03/19/13 8:00 am

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm A
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Work Session: Community and technical college diversity strategies.

Public Hearing: [SB 5712](#) - Encouraging community colleges to use, and inform students of the use of, multiple measures to determine the need for precollege courses.

Education

03/19/13 1:30 pm

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm A
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [E2SSB 5237](#) - Establishing accountability for student performance in reading.
2. [2SSB 5794](#) - Concerning alternative learning experience courses.

Early Learning & K-12 Education

03/20/13 1:30 pm

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 1
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [ESHB 1336](#) - Increasing the capacity of school districts to recognize and respond to troubled youth.
2. [2SHB 1642](#) - Establishing policies to support academic acceleration for high school students.
3. [HB 1178](#) - Authorizing alternative assessments of basic skills for teacher certification.
4. [E2SHB 1872](#) - Establishing a comprehensive initiative to increase learning opportunities and improve educational outcomes in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics through multiple strategies and statewide partnerships.

Education**03/21/13 8:00 am**

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm A
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [E2SSB 5330](#) - Improving student achievement and student outcomes.
2. [ESSB 5753](#) - Providing flexibility in the education system.

Higher Education**03/21/13 1:30 pm**

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 3
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Work Session: Overview of higher education performance funding.

Public Hearing: [SHB 1686](#) - Concerning high school equivalency certificates.

Education**03/22/13 1:30 pm**

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm A
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [SSB 5755](#) - Establishing a comprehensive initiative to increase learning opportunities and improve educational outcomes in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics through multiple strategies and statewide partnerships.

Health and Human Services

Health Care**03/18/13 10:00 am**

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 4
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [HB 1631](#) - Concerning planning measures to provide long-term care services and supports needs of the aging population.

Human Services & Corrections**03/19/13 10:00 am**

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 1
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [ESHB 1651](#) - Concerning access to juvenile records.

Economic Development**Commerce & Labor****03/18/13 1:30 pm**

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 4
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [SHB 1038](#) - Requiring the department of licensing to adopt rules regarding online learning for training in cosmetology, manicuring, barbering, esthetics, and instruction.

Trade & Economic Development**03/19/13 8:00 am**

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 3
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing:

1. [E2SHB 1648](#) - Providing for community economic revitalization in incorporated areas.
2. [SHB 1674](#) - Increasing the regulatory oversight and accountability of the office of minority and women's business enterprises.
3. [HB 1818](#) - Promoting economic development through business and government streamlining projects.
4. [ESHB 1819](#) - Creating and using digital infrastructure maps to inform economic development decisions.
5. [ESHB 1403](#) - Promoting economic development by providing information to businesses.

Technology & Economic Development**03/19/13 10:00 am**

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm C

John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [E2SSB 5680](#) - Promoting economic development by providing information to businesses.

Energy, Environment & Telecommunications

03/20/13 8:00 am

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 4
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [E2SHB 1301](#) - Creating clean energy jobs in Washington state through renewable energy incentives.

Trade & Economic Development

03/21/13 8:00 am

Senate Full Committee
Senate Hearing Rm 3
J.A. Cherberg Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [SHB 1260](#) - Concerning public facilities' grants and loans.

Labor & Workforce Development

03/21/13 1:30 pm

House Full Committee
House Hearing Rm D
John L. O'Brien Building
Olympia, WA

Public Hearing: [SSB 5754](#) - Concerning integrated career learning opportunities and employment training for at-risk youth.

Information is current as of: March 15, 2013.

To find out more information on a particular bill, please visit <http://www.leg.wa.gov>.

CAPAA was established by the state legislature in 1974 to improve the well-being of Asian Pacific Americans (APAs) by insuring their access to participation in the fields of government, business, education, and other areas. It has a board made up of 12-governor appointed members that represent the diverse APA communities of Washington State.

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